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SUBJECT: OUTER SPACE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE: MARCH 23 MEETING.

1. SUMMARY: GENERAL DEBATE IN LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE (LSC)
CONTINUED WITH STATEMENTS FROM ITU, SIERRA LEONE, EGYPT, AND
KENYA. USDEL MADE A STATEMENT ON REMOTE SENSING. END SUMMARY.

2. ITU (BUTLER) OUTLINED MAJOR OBJECTIVES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS
OF 1977 WARC. CONCLUDED THAT RECEPTION OF PROGRAMS BY NEIGH-
BORING COUNTRIES WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT UNDER EXISTING ITU
PROVISIONS.

3. SIERRA LEONE (GBUJAMA) NOTED WITH APPRECIATION AIDSAT
DEMONSTRATION OCTOBER 7, 1976 INVOLING SIERRA LEONE, LIBERIA,
AND U.S. ON DRAFT MOON TREATY (TOM), SUPPORTED COMMON HERITAGE
PRINCIPLE AND ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL REGIME TO GOVERN
NATURAL RESOURCES. ON DIRECT BROADCASTS FROM SATELLITE (DBS)
STATED THAT STATES' SOVEREIGN RIGHT TO GRANT OR WITHHOLD CON-
SENT FIGURES HIGHLY. STATES' FEARS CANNOT BE MINIMIZED.
STRESSED THAT DISSEMINATION SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED UNDER
CLEAR REGULATIONS. ON REMOTE SENSING, NOTED THAT PROGRESS
WOULD BE CONTINUED.

4. EGYPT (FAHZI) NOTED EVIDENT NEED FOR MOON TREATY AND
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THANKED THE SECRETARIAT FOR TABLES LISTING PREVIOUSLY SUB-
MITTED WORKING PAPERS ON TOM. HOPED CAREFUL STUDY OF
THOSE DOCUMENTS WOULD FACILITATE COMPROMISE ON NATURAL RE-
SOURCES ISSUE. SUPPORTED COMMON HERITAGE PRINCIPLE AND
ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL REGIME. STATED EGYPT WAS
AGAINST DEFERRING NATURAL RESOURCES ISSUE TO A LATER TIME.
REFERRED TO INFORMAL EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL INTRODUCED IN 1976

LSC SESSION. ON REMOTE SENSING, SUPPORTED NEED FOR PRIOR CONSENT OF SENSED STATE AND SENSED STATE'S RIGHT OF ACCESS TO ALL DATA. SUGGESTED LSC AWAIT STSC'S WORK ON CLASSIFICATION OF DATA. MADE NO COMMENTS ON DBS OR DEFINITION/DELIMITATION.

5. THE KENYAN REPRESENTATIVE RESERVED RIGHT TO MAKE A STATEMENT AT A LATER DATE AFTER COMPLETING HIS STUDY OF THE ISSUES.

6. US (DOYLE) SPOKE ON REMOTE SENSING, REFERENCING STSC'S WORK ON DEFINITIONS AND STSC'S LACK OF AGREEMENT ON THE CLASSIFICATION OF DATA, WHICH REQUIRES FURTHER STUDY. PRESENTED STATISTICAL DATA ON LANDSAT SO THAT WORKING GROUP III WOULD BE AWARE OF AVAILABLE FACTS ON REMOTE SENSING SATELLITE USE AND APPLICATIONS. STATED U.S. POSITION ON DISSEMINATION IS CLEAR AND WELL-KNOWN, NOTING THAT LANDSAT DATA ACQUIRED OVER FIVE YEAR PERIOD HAS BEEN OPENLY DISSEMINATED ON A NON-DISCRIMINATORY BASIS. HOPED LSC WOULD ENDORSE REGIONAL COOPERATION APPROACH IN REALIZING BENEFITS OF REMOTE SENSING TECHNOLOGY. CITED AND ELABORATED EXAMPLES FROM THE HUNDREDS OF PROJECTS THAT HAVE RESULTED FROM UTILIZATION OF REMOTE SENSING TECHNIQUES AS FOLLOWS: (1) SAHEL RANCH CASE; (2) LIKELY MINERAL CONCENTRATIONS IN PAKISTAN, EGYPT, AND BOLIVIA, AND MEXICO/ U.S. JOINT TEAM FINDS; (3) DISASTER ASSESSMENT IN BANGLADESH AND NEW LAND ACCRETION IN BAY OF BENGAL; (4) COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL MAPS (GEOLOGICAL, FORESTATION AND LAND USE) AND (5) MAPPING, HIGHWAY AND PIPELINE PLANNING WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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SUBSTANTIAL RESULTANT SAVINGS IN VOLIVIA. WITH ALL THESE BENEFITS FLOWING TODAY AND INCREASING, DELEGATES SHOULD APPRECIATE U.S. RELUCTANCE TO FOCUS PRINCIPLES ON PROBLEMS OF UNDEFINED DETRIMENTS.
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